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## TITLE

Surgical stapling instrument having articulation joint support plates for supporting a firing bar

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